GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

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NON PDS KEROSENE DEPOTS
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

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(a) whether the Union Government has taken a decision to open non-PDS kerosene depots in each district to stop pilferage black marketing ;

(b) if so, the details thereof ;

(c) the pricing formula decided for said scheme ; and

(d) the time by which it is likely to be implemented ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI DINSHA PATEL)

(a) to (d) : No, Sir. Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) are allowed to market indigenously produced surplus kerosene over and above the Public Distribution System (PDS) requirement directly to the genuine customers.Under the existing system of marketing of free sale (white) kerosene followed by the OMCs, while the requirement of small consumers requiring less than full tank lorry load is met through their kerosene dealers, the requirement of consumers for more than one tank lorry load at a time is met directly by OMCs from their supply locations.